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Martin J. Walsh, Mayor

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WHERE IT'S AT FOR YOUTH

June 2014 RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES

PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING VOTING BEGINS JUNE 14TH!



Teens, it's our time to say how Boston will spend \$1,000,000!

Throughout the month of June, the Participatory Budgeting committee will be having votes on their latest projects that will improve communities throughout Boston. Any resident of Boston between the ages of 12-25 will be able to vote on these projects.

For more info on where these votes will be taken place, text

YOUTHCHANGE to 877877 or go to

www.cityofboston.gov/youthzone/youthleadthechange



SPECIAL HOPELINE ANNOUNCEMENT!

The Boston Youth Fund Random Selection lottery is happening right now! Check your email and voice mail messages regularly to see if you have been selected!

For questions, call 617-635-4202 or reach us by email bycc@boston.gov

Lost your BYF
Tracking Number?
Recover it here!



FREE FUN FRIDAYS!

Enjoy 60 museums and cultural venues open for free on Fridays all summer long! The Franklin Park Zoo, Cape Cod Maritime Museum, MIT Museum, and more will be free Jun 28! For a full schedule visit www.highlandstreet.org/freefunfridays.html



READ YOUR WAY TO FENWAY!

Starting June 2, youth ages 5-17 are invited to enter to win 3 tickets to the Boston Red Sox game on August 24. Read three books, write a brief essay about your favorite, and return your completed entry form to your branch library by 5pm on August 1. www.bpl.org



JIMMY FUND SCOOPER BOWL!

This is the nation's largest all you can eat ice cream festival. The event serves ice cream and frozen yogurt from some of the leading ice cream companies. June 3-5, 12-8pm. Boston's City Hall Plaza.



SUMMER PLANNING

YouthSpark Summer Camps: From Shooting movies to coding video games, YouthSpark Summer Camps at the Microsoft retail store in the Prudential Center give kids the chance to get hands-on and creative with the latest technologies! Ages 8 - 13. Enrollment is free. microsoftstore.com/summercamps

Phillips Brooks House Summer Urban Program: Join one of the 10 affordable summer programs in Boston and Cambridge for children ages 6-13. Camps include academic enrichment, field trips, and recreation. Deadline: FCFS. Priority given to low income families and returning campers. For locations and details: <http://programs.pbha.org/sup>

Sociedad Latina's Summer Seedlings Program: Looking for a summer program that uses activities inside and outside the classroom to keep your middle schooler learning throughout the summer? Rising BPS middle school students (5th-7th graders) looking for an alternative summer school are encouraged to attend SSP. Mon-Thu, 8:30am-3:30pm for six weeks in Jul and Aug. Simmons College. Jimmy, 617-442-4299 x120, jimmy@sociedadlatina.org

YMCA Young Achievers: This program is an innovative summer learning experience in which students are introduced to careers in arts, government, and health. The institute offers several 2-week summer sessions. For students entering grades 8-10. 8:30am-2:30pm, Mon-Fri. 316 Huntington Ave. For session details and fees: www.ymcaboston.org/achievers/achievers-programs/summer-institute

MIT CORE Program: This FREE 2-week summer program increases the quantitative reasoning skills of rising 9th and 10th graders from public high schools in Boston, Cambridge, and Lawrence. Students will develop confidence in their math skills to prepare them for the upcoming school year. Runs Aug 4-15. Applications received by Jun 20 will receive priority. <http://mit.edu/core-program>

Camp Harbor View: Camp Harbor View provides a healthy and fun outdoor experience for middle school students, with hiking, arts and crafts, sports programs, and swimming. Two 4-week sessions for Boston youth ages 11-14. Session 1: Jun 30-Jul 24, 9am-5pm, Session 2: Jul 29-Aug 22, 9am-5pm. Cost: \$5 fee per session and includes transportation. www.campharborviewfoundation.org

Camp Joy: This 4-week summer camp provides daily opportunities for participants to make friends, have fun, and learn. Open to Boston residents ages 3-22 with disabilities and their siblings ages 3-7. Program runs Jul 14-Aug 8. Cost: \$220 for 1st child, \$55 per sibling or agency fee: \$250/child. Transportation provided. Roberta Smalls, 617-635-4920 x2402, Roberta.Smalls@boston.gov

Summer History Camp at the Shirley-Eustis House: In this program, children explore Shirley Place and do everyday activities that include 18th-century chores. Session I: Jul 22-26, Session 2: Aug 5-9. Cost: \$50/session. 617-442-2275, www.shirleyeustishouse.org

Youth Tutoring Youth Program (YTY): This is a FREE summer program for ages 8-12 from South Boston and Dorchester. Students participate in daily enrichment activities, weekly field trips, and more. Runs Mon-Thu, Jul 7-Aug 14. Rolling admissions. Catholic Charities Laboure Center, 51 Sleeper St., South Boston. 617-464-8575, www.ccab.org/youthtutor.html

Summer with RJ Day Camp: This day camp is a summer enrichment camp for children ages 6-12. \$150/wk for members, \$185/wk for non-members. Vouchers accepted. Breakfast and lunch included. Runs Jun 23-Aug 22, 9am-5pm, extended day 8am-6pm. Salvation Army Kroc Center. 650 Dudley St. 617-318-6965, www.use.salvationarmy.org/USE/www_use_BostonKrocCenter.nsf



SUMMER JOBS & VOLUNTEERING

Work Readiness Workshops: Sign up for FREE career development workshops at the Department of Youth Engagement and Employment. Contact 617-635-4202, bycc@boston.gov

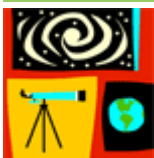
ABCD Summerworks: Apply online 24 hours a day and follow the step-by-step instructions by reading and completing the application with a parent or guardian. You can also apply in person at your local neighborhood ABCD office. Applicants must be residents of Boston, be between the ages of 14 and 21, and be income eligible. Submitting an application does NOT guarantee a summer job. Applications must be submitted by Jun 13! 617-348-6548, www.summerworks.net

Mattapan Job Fair: At this job fair, organizations and businesses will have tables with info on available job opportunities. Food, drinks, music, and fun will also be provided. Jun 10, 4:30-6:30pm. Mattapan ABCD Facility, 535 River St. 617-722-2006 x7786, leon.david@mahouse.gov

Teen Resume Guide: Whether you have had lots of jobs or are getting ready for your first summer job experience, this resume guide has tips for you. Start off your job or volunteer hunt on the right foot! www.cityofboston.gov/youthzone/JobsInternshipsAndVolunteering

Boston PIC: If you attend a BPS high school, connect with your Private Industry Council (PIC) Career Specialist who can help you with your resume, job interview skills, and job search. 617-524-5224, www.BostonPIC.org

Boston Cares: Make a difference in your community by volunteering! Register with Boston Cares, and you'll become a part of the many service projects that advocate for community enrichment, health & wellness, homelessness/hunger, environment and more! www.bostoncares.org



FEATURED PROGRAMS

For Colored Girls: The Pariah Theatre is presenting a rendition of "For Colored Girls." This play is a story of love, loss, unity, and sisterhood told by eight women. This show will be presented from Jun 19-28, including a Jun 28, 7:30pm show at the Strand Theatre. To reserve tickets, go to www.brownpapertickets.com/event/694739

Let's Get Ready: This program offers low-income high school students FREE SAT prep and other support services needed to gain admission to college. Summer sessions include: Boston Higher Education Resource Center (68 Northampton St.), Tue & Thu, 6-9pm; Non-Profit Center (89 South St.), Mon & Wed, 6-9pm; and Dorchester/Epiphany School (154

Centre St.), Mon & Wed, 5:30-8:30pm. 617-345-0098, www.letsgetready.org/GetStarted/Students

Mayor's Coffee Hours: Mayor Walsh and the Boston Parks Department will be hosting the 16th Annual Neighborhood Coffee Hour Series until Jun 16. Enjoy coffee, fresh fruit, and more. All coffee hours will be held from 9:30-10:30am. For a full schedule: www.cityofboston.gov/news/default.aspx?id=7607, 617-635-4505

ParkARTS Watercolor Workshops: This series of workshops for ages 9+ will enable participants to create their own green-inspired masterpieces. All classes are from 12-2pm. For dates and locations: www.cityofboston.gov/news/default.aspx?id=8638, 617-635-4505

Mayor Walsh's Garden Contest: This contest recognizes gardeners who have landscaped, planted flowers, and beautified their own small piece of Boston. Nominate your own or a neighbor's garden today! www.cityofboston.gov/parks

Alray Scholars Program: The Alray Scholars Program invites BPS (or METCO) graduates who started college, stopped, and plan on returning to apply. Award: up to \$5,000 as well as mentoring assistance. Deadline: Jun 15. Apply online now! www.alray.org, jaltman@alray.org

Hispanic Black Gay Coalition: Black and Latina women who are ready to be inspired are invited to come together, share stories, and learn from each other with HUES SISTER CIRCLE. First Wed of every month, 6:45-9pm. Union United Methodist Church, 485 Columbus Ave. RSVP now! www.hbgc-boston.org



HEALTH & SPORTS

East Boston Summer Recreation & Sports Center: At this full day drop-in program, children participate in activities including sports, dance, and arts and crafts. Ages 7-14. Pre-registration is recommended and space is limited. Jul 7-Aug 15, Mon-Fri, 9-3pm. Sartori Stadium, East Boston Memorial Park. 617-635-5206 x102, www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf

White Stadium's Enrichment Program: This is a five-week reading, writing, and math enrichment program offered on Mondays, 8:30am-3pm. For Boston youth ages 7-14. Pre-registration is recommended and space is limited. Jul 14-Aug 11. White Stadium, Jamaica Plain. 617-635-5206 x106, www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf

White Stadium Sports Center: This sport-teaching center offers youth ages 7-14 the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of a variety of sports

in a 6-week program. Pre-registration is required. Jul 8-Aug 15, Tue-Fri, 8:30am-3pm. 617-635-5206 x106, www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf

Tenacity Summer Program: Tenacity provides a tennis and reading program for ages 6-16. Participants will be given fun tennis instruction, have the opportunity for team play, and may enter the Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament in Aug. Equipment is provided. Register now. Runs Jul 7-Aug 15. 617-562-0900, www.tenacity.org

Franklin Park Tennis Association Summer Camp: At this summer camp, youth ages 5-12 participate in tennis, arts and crafts, music, swimming, and more. Cost: \$125/wk. Vouchers accepted. Jun 30-Aug 29, 8:30am-4pm. DCR's Melnea A. Cass Complex, 120 Martin Luther King Blvd., Roxbury. 617-427-8900, www.franklinparktennis.org

ABCD Youth Academy: ABCD's Youth Academy offers health, educational, social, and other services to children and families. Fun activities and snacks are provided. Open after school and during the summer. Dorchester Neighborhood Service Center, 110 Claybourne St., Dorchester. 617-288-2700 x215, cherly.stlouis@bostonabcd.org

Boston Parks Summer Fitness Series: This fitness series will bring FREE classes to parks across Boston from Jun-Aug! The kick-off event at Christopher Columbus Park in the North End will be on Jun 2 and will feature two free classes open to all fitness levels. For a full schedule: www.cityofboston.gov/parks, 617-961-3015

Football for YOU: This event brings the fundamentals of football to youth from New England. This free clinic stresses leadership, teamwork, and commitment. Snacks and lunches will be provided. Jun 14, 8:30am-1pm. Madison Park High School. 508-662-5354, ehayes@patriotsalumni.com

BOKS Active Kids Day: This FREE fitness event for youth will also feature live music, a race course, shopping, and more. Jun 14, 11am-4pm. Reebok Headquarters, 1895 JW Foster Blvd., Canton. Pre-register at www.bokskids.org. 781-401-4363, erikka.moreno@bokskids.org

Tennis in the Parks: The Franklin Park Tennis Association is offering FREE tennis lessons for kids and adults. Jun 14-Aug 9; Tue & Thu, 9-11am for adults; and Sat, 12-1pm for ages 5-10, 1-3pm for 11-17, and 1-3pm for adults. Don't miss the kick-off party on Jun 7 from 10am-2pm. Franklin Park, Shattuck Grove Courts. Register at www.franklinparktennis.org

Healthy Relationship Workshops: Youth ages 11-15 are invited to attend a Healthy Relationship Workshop. Get your questions answered! Enjoy a pizza party and receive a Dunkin' Donuts gift card upon

completion. May 31 & Jun 7, 9am-3pm. Salvation Army Kroc Center, 650 Dudley St. 617-318-6912, darien.morris@use.salvationarmy.org

Bike Friday: On one Friday a month throughout the summer, Boston Bikes hosts a party at City Hall for the city's cyclists. Join a bike commuter convoy, follow a fixed route to City Hall, and enjoy a free breakfast and coffee. Plus, learn the best routes and tips for city riding and bicycle commuting. Jun 27, Jul 18, and Aug 29, 6:45-9am. www.bikefridays.org

Girls Outdoor Adventure Leaders (GOAL): Girls ages 11-14 can learn about activities, plan and participate in summer fun and leadership training. Cost: \$350, scholarships available. Jul 7-Aug 22. Deadline: Jun 16. www.yeskids.org



FAMILY FUN

Free Ferry Day: Enjoy a free boat ride to George's or Spectacle Island where you can enjoy a picnic or relax. Ferries will be running on a special schedule, every half hour. Due to high demand, all tickets will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis and have a specific return time. Ticket kiosk opens at 8am. Groups are limited to five. No advance reservations. Jun 24, 9am-5pm. 617-223-8666, <http://bostonharborislands.org>

ParkSCIENCE Festival: The Boston Parks ParkSCIENCE program is hosting a children's science festival at the Jamaica Pond Boathouse. Refreshments will be provided. Jun 8, 1-3pm. 617-635-4505, www.cityofboston.gov/news/default.aspx?id=9639

Father's Family Fun Day: Celebrate Father's Day by attending Family Fun Day! This FREE event will feature food, music, prizes, face-painting, and more. Jun 14, 12-4pm. Harambee Park, 15 Talbot Ave. www.laingenterprises.com, johnlaing@laingenterprises.com

Baile De Las Guayaberas: Come enjoy an evening of good company and musical performances by Grupo Yagua and Rumba Na'ma as they recognize people of hispanic origin in Massachusetts on Sat. Jun 21, 8pm-1am at 50 Bridge St. Dedham, MA 02026. Tickets \$25, call 617-266-3455 or visit PRVMSA.org

Boston Parks "Out of the Park" Series: Celebrate America's pastime as we bring the excitement of Fenway to a park near you! These free events will also feature refreshments, giveaways, caricaturists, and more! Jun 22, 4:05pm, The Playstead, Franklin Park; and Jul 27, 1:40pm, Boston Common. 617-969-8900, www.highlandstreet.org/ootp



YOUTH WORKERS

US Postal Service: The City of Boston and the United States Postal Service are partnering to host informational sessions about postal job opportunities in the Boston area. The USPS will be hiring up to 200 people. Sessions will take place in various locations.

<http://about.usps.com/careers/welcome.htm>

All Access Boston Harbor: This summer program offers fun, FREE day trips for youth and teens ages 7-17 to explore the Boston Harbor and the Boston Harbor Islands with Save the Harbor/Save the Bay. Trips sail from the Blue Hills Bank Pavilion for Georges, Peddocks, or Spectacle Islands Tues- Thurs, Jul 8-Aug 28. Register your community organization ASAP. Amy, 617-451-2860 x1008, gaylord@savetheharbor.org

Moving Beyond Icebreakers: At this workshop, you will gain skills in designing and facilitating an interactive agenda. Help your group and work become more effective! Cost: \$100. Jun 20, 9:30am-3pm. www.movingbeyondicebreakers.org, heang@teenempowerment.org

Adoptive Families Together (AFT): AFT offers FREE education, training, and support to families, professionals, and communities considering adoption. Attend a monthly, parent-run meeting and learn more about adoptive parenting. AFT's Boston groups include Boston, Jamaica Plain, and Roslindale. Childcare is provided at each meeting. For schedule: www.msppcc.org/aft

Update Your Programs on Boston Navigator: Make sure youth, parents, guidance counselors, and youth workers can find your spring and summer programs on Boston Navigator by keeping your information updated. This also allows for more accurate search results throughout the website. www.bostonnavigator.org

Do You Want to Add Information to the Boston Youth Zone Newsletter?: If you would like to add information about your program, please email Youthline@boston.gov by the 23rd of each month. Please include details about the program, cost, location and who someone should contact for more information.